The Last Hurrah
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Dear Andy,

Thanks for the check and your note with it. And the cards.

I am not close to running out of any titles. Nor is there any present likelihood that anything will be published. There is no publisher interest and my experiences with Carroll & Graf have led me not even to mention to them that I've completed more manuscripts. I have no vanity interest in publication anyway. Much as I would like to see what I've written published with the problems I've had I think I do more good by adding to the record for our history.

Long ago I completed a lengthy manuscript on Mailer, Schiller and their book. The student, now a graduate with a part-time job, was going slowly and I saw no reason to try to rush her against her own interest. Beside, who today is going to pick a fight with the Random House/Newhouse empire. Which I go into at some length. I had it completed early enough for it to benefit from the promos for him and his extraordinarily bad book. I did not mention it to C & G.

I've done ~~xxxxx~~ quite a bit along that line. The Mailer book may be close to 200,000 words. One part of the rest is longer than ~~then~~ it and thereare many parts.

One that is diffeent is liked much by the few who have seen it. It is Waketh the Watchman. In it for the first time I address motive, means and opportunity entirely with what was public and was never drawn together. I was able to get it retyped on a computer and a friend made a few printouts that to now have been read only by college professor friends. They are all high on it and on what I was also able to get retypred that way, Hosty's Pudding. Aside from his monumental dishonesty he is a certified subject-matter ignoramus!!!

I think it possible that others who distributed through Publishers Group West might be interested in some of this but when they distribute for Carroll & Graf and co-publisher Richard Gallen is their counsel I've not written Charlie Winton, who goes for the nutty conspiracy theories.

If I were younger, more able and healthier it would be different.

Hope all is going well with both of you,

Harold